UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE

NORTHEAST REGIONAL OFFICE/ FISHERY STATISTICS DIVISION RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND TRADE SECTION

Georges Bank Sea Scallop Exemption Fishery

(A preliminary monitoring report) data last updated on **August 27, 1999**

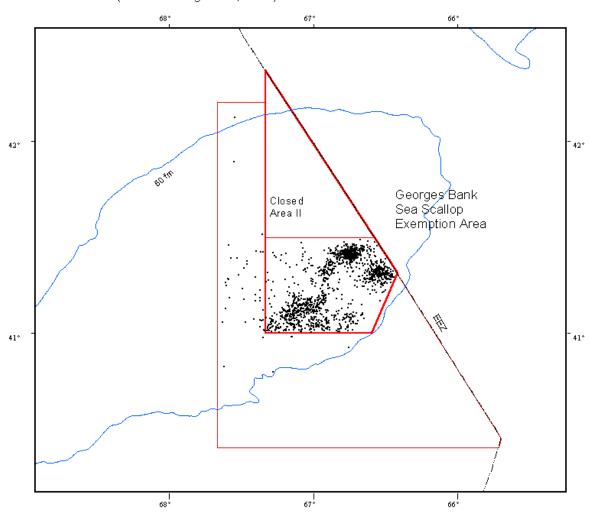
	Directed Scallop Fishery (meat weight)	Yellowtail Flounder Bycatch (live weight)
Total Allowable Catch (TAC)	9,384,812 lbs. (4,257 mt)*	853,165 lbs. (387 mt)*
Total Catch to date	3,389,198 lbs.	415,339 lbs.
% of TAC	36%	49%

^{* 2,204.56} lbs. equal 1 metric ton (mt)

Number of Vessels taking only 1 trip	23
Number of Vessels taking 2 trips	39
Number of Vessels taking 3 trips	88
Total Number of Participating Vessels:	150
Number of Scallop Trips:	365
Percentage of Observed Trips	25%

The reports will be updated every Tuesday and Friday. However, more frequent updates are scheduled when the accumulated catch approaches the TAC. Please call the Sustainable Fisheries Division at 978-281-9278 regarding management issues, or contact John Witzig at 978-281-9232 for statistical data.

Figure 1. Scallop vessel-days within the Georges Bank Sea Scallop Exemption Area (June 15 - August 27, 1999)



Note: Symbols (·) indicate vessel location at time of daily report.